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**Re: U.S. National Phase Application of PCT International
Application No. PCT/DE2004/001419 of Hans-Jürgen HANNIG
for his "PANEL COMPRISING A LOCKING SYSTEM"; Serial
No. 10/562,491; Filed: December 28, 2005
Our Docket No. 009646/0004.9**

Honorable Commissioner:

Responsive to the Notification of File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371,
enclosed please find the following:

1. Copy of "Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office" issued March 30, 2006 (2 pages total).
2. German Language Declaration executed by the Inventor (3 pages total).
3. A translation of the application into English.
4. A translation of the Annexes into English.
5. A Preliminary Amendment (5 pages total).
6. A check in the amount of \$260.00 to cover the fee for late filing of oath or declaration surcharge (\$130.00 - large entity) and English translation surcharge (\$130.00 - large entity).
7. Our post card. Please date stamp and return.

In the event that Applicant has overlooked the need for any petition for an extension of time to file the enclosed papers, petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s).

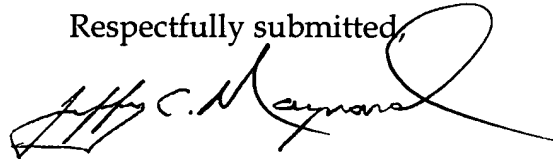
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Please associate this application with Customer Number 25223, and send all correspondence in connection with this application to the correspondence address associated therewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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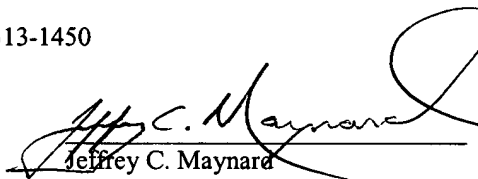
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above-referenced documents for Application Serial No. 10/562,491 are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail on the date indicated below and in an envelope addressed to:

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 12/28/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 12/28/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 12/28/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 12/28/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 12/28/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 12/28/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 12/28/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.
- Processing fee of \$130 for providing the translation of the application and/or the Annexes later than 30 months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(i)).
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$260** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.
- **\$130** for English translation surcharge required.

Additionally the following defects have been observed:

- Annexes have not been entered because the IPER annexes have not been translated.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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